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The following data was learned from Soviet officers in mid-October 1949:

1. A headquarters with seven generals, including General ROMANOV, is located in FUERSTENBERG (N 54/U 52). General ROMANOV is said to be a former Czarist officer who served in Manchuria during his early years as officer.
2. There were about 20,000 troops located in the FUERSTENBERG-NEURUPPIN (N 53/Z 49) area. The troops stationed in FUERSTENBERG - about 3,000 - had fought in East Prussia in 1945.

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a. The information on the FUERSTENBERG headquarters with seven generals confirms the Hq of the Second Gds Mecz Army up to mid-October 1949. General ROMANOV was reported for the first time.

b. The stated strength of the troops stationed in the FUERSTENBERG-NEURUPPIN area (including the 12th Tank Div and Second Gds Mecz Army Hq units) is considered credible. The statement that the FUERSTENBERG troops had been committed in East Prussia in 1945 is doubted, since the Second Gds Mecz Army fought in Poland in late 1944 and in Pomerania in 1945.

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